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19. (new) A topical composition designed for application to the scalp, said composition comprising, in admixture with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, minoxidil, saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract, and one or more of the following:

- a.) Capsaicin;
- b.) Niacin;
- c.) Gingko Biloba;
- d.) horsetail extract;
- e.) glycerol oxide esters;
- f.) cyclodextrin;
- g.) ketoconazole;
- h.) ursolic acid;
- i.) polysorbate;
- j.) peppermint oil;
- k.) silica;
- l.) milk thistle; or
- m.) methyl nicotinate.

20. (new) The topical composition of claim 19, wherein minoxidil comprises about 1 percent to about 5 percent, by weight, of said composition.

21. (new) The topical composition of claim 19, wherein said nettle root extract comprises about 1 percent to about 3 percent, by weight, of said composition.

22. (new) The topical composition of claim 20 further comprising methyl nicotinate.

23. (new) The topical composition of claim 19, wherein said pharmaceutically acceptable carrier is water, glycols, esters, alcohols, lipids, or combinations thereof.

24. (new) The topical composition of claim 24, wherein said pharmaceutically acceptable carrier is a mixture of isopropyl alcohol and glycerine.

25. (new) A topical composition designed for application to the scalp, said composition comprising a mixture of ketoconazole; and saw palmetto extract or nettle root extract, or combinations thereof.
26. (new) The topical composition of 26, wherein said composition comprises ketoconazole, saw palmetto and nettle root extract.
27. (new) A topical composition designed for application to the scalp, said composition comprising a mixture of ursolic acid; and saw palmetto extract or nettle root extract, or combinations thereof.
28. (new) The topical composition of claim 28, wherein said composition comprises ursolic acid, saw palmetto extract, and nettle root extract.
29. (new) The topical composition of claim 29 further comprising ketoconazole.

30. (new) A dietary supplement comprising saw palmetto extract, and nettle root extract; and one or more of the following components:

- (a) niacin;
- (b) vitamin B6;
- (c) folate;
- (d) biotin;
- (e) panthothenic acid;
- (f) iodine;
- (g) zinc;
- (h) pumpkin seed concentrate;
- (i) Ginkgo biloba;
- (j) fo ti root;
- (k) L-histidine;
- (l) aloe vera gel;
- (m) gotu kola leaf;
- (n) sage leaf;
- (o) Hawthorne berry;
- (p) bovine extract;
- (q) sulfur; or
- (r) silica.

31. (new) The dietary supplement of claim 31 comprising saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract and niacin.

32. (new) The dietary supplement of claim 31 comprising saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract, and zinc.

33. (new) The dietary supplement of claim 31 comprising saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract and fo ti root.

34 (new) The dietary supplement of claim 31 comprising saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract and pumpkin seed concentrate.

35. (new) The dietary supplement of claim 31 comprising saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract, niacin, zinc, fo ti root, and pumpkin seed concentrate.

36. (new) A method of stimulating hair growth in a patient comprising topically administering minoxidil, saw palmetto extract and nettle root extract to said patient's scalp.

37. The method of claim 37, further comprising co-administering, orally, the dietary supplement of claim 31, wherein co-administering occurs prior to, concurrently, or subsequent to said topically administering step.

38. (new) A method of stimulating hair growth in a patient comprising topically administering minoxidil to said patient's scalp and orally administering saw palmetto extract and nettle root extract.

39. (new) The method of claim 39, wherein orally administering comprises orally administering saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract and niacin.

40. (new) The method of claim 39, wherein orally administering comprises orally administering saw palmetto extract, nettle root extract, niacin, zinc, fo ti root, and pumpkin seed concentrate.

Claims 1-18 are cancelled without prejudice. Support for new claims 19-40 is found throughout the specification. The claims are provided to more specifically claim certain embodiments of the invention; and to pursue claims that were restricted out of the parent

application 09/789,266 now issued patent no. 6,596,266. Applicants assert that the foregoing claims are in a condition for allowance.

Respectfully submitted,



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